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### NEWS ADVISORY

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#### JESSAMINE COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF TO SPEAK AT GRADUATION

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Jessamine County Deputy Sheriff Sammy Brown, the sole survivor of a Nov. 13, 2001 shooting in which two sheriff's deputies and another man were killed, will be the guest speaker at Basic Training Class 322's graduation Friday, Feb. 14.

The ceremony is scheduled for 11 a.m. in Posey Auditorium in the Stratton Building on Eastern Kentucky University's campus.

Brown, Capt. Chuck Morgan, 51, and Sheriff's Deputy Billy Ray Walls, 28, were attempting to serve an arrest warrant on Phillip Walker, 75, at his drydocked houseboat near the Kentucky River the morning of Nov. 13. The warrant was for terroristic threatening, a misdemeanor.

Walker shot the men, fatally wounding Morgan and Walls. Walls died that day from the shots and Morgan died 15 days later at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center. Walker was killed by return fire from Brown after the gunman had shot him in the head, shoulder and hip.

Brown, who had been with the sheriff's office since May 2001, then managed to alert Sheriff Joe Walker that the two deputies had been shot, and moved his cruiser onto the Jessamine County road so responding units could locate the scene more easily.

For his actions that day, Brown was named the National Sheriffs' Association's Deputy Sheriff of the Year for 2002, and was recognized as a 2002 TOP COPS award winner by the National Association of Police Organizations.

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